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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

CLIENT-MATTER NO.: 66733-023 (P-RD 4806)

SERIAL NO: FILING DATE: 09/882,274 June 15, 2001

EXAMINER: Lu. Frank Wei Min

GROUP ART UNIT:1634 CONFIRMATION NO.:7878

INVENTION: USE OF PHOSPHOROTHIOLATE POLYNUCLEOTIDES IN LIGATING NUCLEIC ACIDS

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Transmitted herewith is Response to the Office Action mailed January 29, 2003, with attached Appendix A in the above-identified application.

- Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27.
- X Petition for a three-month Extension of Time is enclosed (in duplicate).
- Terminal Disclaimer with fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.20(d) is enclosed.
- X Formal Drawings (Figures 1-8)
- X No additional claims fee is required.
- An additional claims fee is required and has been calculated as shown below:

## CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	NUMBER AFTER		HIGHEST NUMBER		NUMBER OF EXTRA		RATE		FEE		
	AMEND- MENT		PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		CLAIMS PRESENTED		SMALL ENTITY	OTHER ENTITY		SMALL ENTITY	OTHER ENTITY
TOTAL CLAIMS	16	-	56	-	0	х	\$9	\$18	_	\$	\$0
INDEPEN- DENT CLAIMS	7	-	10	-	0	x	\$42	\$84	=	\$	\$0
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM		_	YES		X_NO		\$140	\$280	=	\$	\$0
,						TOTAL ADDITION	AL FEE		\$	\$0	

- If the "HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR" is less than 20, write "20" in this space.
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- Y Please charge my Deposit Account No. 502624 the amount of \$930.00 of which covers the fee for a three-month extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 502624. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 502624 any fees under 37 CFR 1.17 which may be required under 37 CFR 1.136(a)(3) for an extension of time in any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Document: Formal Drawings (Figures 1-8)
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